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PRESIDENT'S DESK



This will be my last article to write as your president of TEC. I would like to say that membership cooperation has been great and it is all appreciated. I have had wonderful support from the officers and Board of Governors. It is because of this cooperation and support that I feel my term as president has been successful. A continuation of this fine cooperation will assure, that the incoming president can lead TEC to still bigger and better accomplishments.

As this issue of TEC NEWS goes to press, we have two big events in the immediate future. The one that most members look forward to is, the 7th annual convention which this year is to be held in Boston, Massachusetts. It has been many, many years since I was in Boston, the last time being in 1938. This time I hope to spend more time seeing some of the historical sites. Much of our Colonial History is written around the Boston area and we are fortunate to be holding a convention there.

The other event of great importance to us all is, our election of Officers and Board of Governors. If you have not already received your ballot, you will in the very near future. All members are urged to check your ballot and return to the Secretary immediately. In the case of an office that is unopposed, a vote should be rendered just the same. It will at least show that candidate, that the members are behind him. It will help that candidate to take over the duties of his office, with a feeling of enthusiasm and will make him or her feel that his acceptance of the nomination was worth while.

Our convention this year promises to be one of our largest and best so far. We have a lot of loyal, active and enthusiastic members in the Eastern part of the United States and I am looking forward to seeing a large attendance at the general meeting. We can expect the usual nice response from the award committee and there will be several nice trophies to be awarded. Hope you will all come on over to Boston. Perhaps we can have our own "Boston Tea Party."

Sincerely,

Lloyd E. Wagaman, Pres.

A.N.A. TO CONVENE IN BOSTON

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

The American Numismatic Association will hold its 82nd Anniversary Convention in Boston, August 23-27, 1973. Headquartered in the modern Sheraton-Boston Hotel, the Convention will also make extensive use of the Hynes Veterans Auditorium. The program and special events are well along the planning trail and many activities will be offered for all, young and old.

The Sheraton Boston has four excellent restaurants and several fine lounges for a variety of moods. The catering facilities are well suited to handle small breakfast meetings to the final banquet of over 700 on Monday evening. Nearly 25 meeting rooms are available to accommodate the meetings of many allied organizations: SPMC, TAMS, TEC, IOWMC, IBNS, OIN, Historia Nummorum and many more. There will also be a hospitality suite for your relaxing moments.

Utilizing the Hynes for all bourse and exhibit activities affords the ANA and its members the largest assemblage of dealers from around the world; over 170 dealers will offer virtually every kind of medal, token, paper money and accessory. The large exhibit area already has many applicants eager to display prize-winning displays, the competition will be great. Here will be an unrivalled opportunity to view material rarely seen outside a museum. There will be a few more exhibits of elongated coins by TEC members. Those who have not as yet applied for their exhibit application, please do so at once. The Henry Blaha Memorial Award will be given to a TEC member for the best elongated coin exhibit.

For out of town visitors, there will be several guided tours of historic Boston, and a day long tour to Plymouth and Cape Cod. A highlight of the week will be an old fashioned clam bake on Georges Island in Boston Harbor Sunday evening. This like all such tours, will require advance registration. All who are interested should send for the official pre-registration form which will be available in late May, hopefully sooner. Pre-registration form will also enable your host committee to more efficiently expedite your arrival at the convention.

Hotel rates start at \$19 for singles and \$34 for twins and doubles, suites range from \$75, to \$110. nightly. Special rates are available only through use of the official rate card, available on request from Convention headquarters.

Young numismatists are not being neglected. Four tours are being arranged for them and there will be a private luncheon for them at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, hosted by the Franklin Mint, on Friday, August 24. Again advanced registration will be required. For the first time a pre-registration form is offered for the Juniors who request it.

While every effort is being made to make the Convention complete, rewarding and comfortable, your comments or suggestion are welcome. All inquiries should be addressed to, ANA 82nd Anniversary Convention, P.O. Box 1973, Newtonville, Mass. 02160.

The TEC general meeting will be held Friday, August 24th, at 2:30 P.M. The TEC Board of Governors meeting will be held Friday August 24th at 10:00 A.M. So please try to attend our TEC meeting in the afternoon and join in all the fun. Meet all your friends there. See you all in Boston.

Most of this information came from Arthur Fitts, General Chairman of the ANA Convention. Thank you Arthur for all your help.

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Ads - Aug. 10th

Articles - Aug. 15th

CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR OFFICE

President - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
Vice-Pres. - - - - - Milton Heitman #9
Secretary - - - - - Al Kirka #450
Treasurer - - Chester Grabowski #512

Board of Governors
Donald Sabo #341 - - - - -
Ruby Threlkeld #202 - - - - -
Richard Townsend #365 - - - - -
Alberta Wagaman #165 - - - - -

Biography of Candidates

Sally Kirka #16

Nominated for President

Mrs. Kirka is the past president of the Central Conn. Coin Club and at present is the secretary of the club, has been chairman of their last five coin shows and also exhibit chairman for four other shows. She is also their A.N.A. club representative and has won the A.N.A. award for outstanding club representative in 1971.

Mrs. Kirka is also secretary of the Western Rhode Island Stamp and Coin Club, of Foster, Rhode Island. She is also their A.N.A. club representative for the past four years and has also served on their Board of Governors.

Mrs. Kirka is the ANA and NENA club representative of the Tri-State Coin Club of Danielson, Conn. for the past four years. She is also on the Board of Governors.

Mrs. Kirka won the outstanding member of the year award in 1972 at the Western Rhode Island Stamp and Coin Club. She is a member of ANA, NENA, MEC, CCE, TAMS and many other clubs.

Mrs. Kirka is presently treasurer of TEC, ANA club representative and editor of TEC NEWS. The wonderful newsletter for the past two years is proof of what a great and capable worker she is.

Milton Heitman #9

Nominated for Vice-President

Mr. Heitman is a member of ANA, MEC, and TEC and was one of the founders of TEC. Mr. Heitman is one of the long time elongated collectors and has been an avid collector for many years. He served on the TEC award committee in 1969 and 1970. He also has served as historian for the club. Mr. Heitman is also a collector of Iowa Trade Tokens.

It seems that someone with such a long time interest in elongated coins, will just naturally make a good officer for the club.

Al Kirka #450

Nominated for secretary

Mr. Kirka started collecting coins about fifteen years ago and ten years ago started collecting elongated coins. Although he is not as heavy a collector as his wife, he gives her some competition exhibiting and she doesn't always get the top award, sometimes he takes it.

Mr. Kirka is a member of the New England Numismatic Association and of six other coin clubs in the area. He has never been an officer in these clubs, but he is a "behind the scene worker". To prove this he has won the outstanding member of the year award in 1972 at the Central Conn. Coin Club, of Manchester, Conn. We all know he is very quiet and a hard worker. He is also the assistant editor to his wife for the TEC newsletter. He is right there besides her during the late hours making his typewriter keep time with hers. He also assisted his wife as bourse and publicity chairman, for the NENA Conference and Convention at Hartford, Conn. in 1971.

Mr. Kirka says quote "if elected as secretary of TEC, I promise to do my best to keep all records in order and to take care of all necessary correspondence promptly."

BIOGRAPHY OF CANDIDATES

Chester Grabowski #512

Nominated for Treasurer

Mr. Grabowski has been a collector of numismatic material for about forty years. He collects all US coins and currency, tokens medals, European coins and currency, Canadian coins and currency, Roman coins and wooden money.

Mr. Grabowski has been a member of ANA for eleven years, also a member of the New England Numismatic Association, Maine Numismatic Association, International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors, Society of Paper Money Collectors, Paper Money of Michigan, Tri-State Coin Club, Southern New England Coin Dealers Association and at present is the President of the Association. He is Bourse Chairman for four shows a year, that the organization holds in Hartford, Conn. Mr. Grabowski bought his first elongated coin at the New York World's Fair in 1938. He became a member of TEC in 1971. He has a great interest in elongateds made for special events. With his ability for club work and interest in elongated coins, he should make a good treasurer for TEC.

Donald Sabo #341

Nominated for Board of Governors

Mr. Sabo has been a member of ANA for ten years, also a member of TAMS and CCE. Mr. Sabo also is a talented writer, receiving the coveted Heath Literary Award in 1968.

Mr. Sabo became a member of TEC in 1968 and the same year started producing elongated coins. He served as awards chairman in 1969 and 1970 and produced the award coins for those years. He is at present TEC Historian. He has written some very informative articles for our TEC newsletter. The record of the past duties he has successfully performed for the club indicates, he would serve well on the Board of Governors.

Ruby Threlkeld #202

Nominated for Board of Governors

Mrs. Threlkeld started collecting elongated coins in 1960 and became a member of TEC when it was organized. Her specialty is anything on Lincoln and any type of transportation.

Mrs. Threlkeld is very active in numerous clubs, to list a few, Texas Numismatic Association, served five years as historian, life member of La Marque Coin Club, serving her tenth year as sec'y-treas and publicity chairman, Galveston County Coin Club, serving fifth year as sec'y, also publicity chairman and former historian for nine years. Treasure Island Coin Club and chairman of state convention committees. Serving as Board of Governors of IOWMC, also a member of several other wooden money clubs.

Mrs. Threlkeld says quote, "If I am elected to the board of this club I will continue to do all I can for the betterment of the club. I will assist the President and other officers in any way I am needed and will continue to support TEC to the best of my ability."

BIOGRAPHY OF CANDIDATES

Richard Townsend #365

Nominated for Board of Governors

Mr. Townsend began collecting in 1960 with the Lincoln cents and over the next several years added most of the US series, Canadian and foreign type coins to his collecting interest. He started collecting medals in 1965 and now has many hundred. In 1967 he joined ANA, which was the first of many such moves. In 1968 he joined TEC and IOWMC. He is also a member of Society of Medalist, TAMS, Franklin Mint Collectors Society, Natl. Comm. Society, Catholic Comm. Medal Society and four other clubs.

Mr. Townsend's interest in elongated coins began when he answered an ad of Dottie Dow's, for a set of Canadian Centennial elongated coins, to go with a similar set of Canadian Medals he owned. The medals have since been traded off, but the elongated coins he still owns as part of a collection of twelve hundred.

Mr. Townsend says quote, "I have never held an office, but if I am elected, I promise to do all I can to help TEC and the membership in whatever way I can."

Alberta Wagaman #165

Nominated for Board of Governors

Mrs. Wagaman is a member of ANA and TEC and a collector of all Lincoln material.

She became a member of TEC in 1967 and specializes in personal elongated pieces.

She is presently Secretary of TEC and the efficient manner in which she has handled the secretarial duties for the past two years, shows that she is quite capable and willing to serve TEC in any capacity.

SHARE WITH A BANG---REPORT IT!

by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
North Brunswick, N.J.

Maurice Gould's article in our exciting TEC NEWS encouraged food for thought and my title.

I thought it would be interesting to report my prized ILL-WCE #1a rolled on a 1874 ten pfenning coin. The date (1874) is clearly shown above COLUMBIAN, 10 can be seen under 1893 and the reverse of this elongated is as good as our modern Lincoln reverses, we all like. Really a remarkable piece.

Reflecting back to yesteryear, one wonders did the visitor to the Expo use his "lucky coin" or was the 10 pfg. coin used because it was "A PENNY SAVED". If coins could only talk how enriched collectors would be.

Reports on other "foreign" rolls would certainly make interesting news I'm certain, so why not share your "prize" with a report to TEC NEWS!? It's not as difficult to write a few lines on your hobby as you think, and sharing is fun. Remember your efforts are rewarded with a Prize for your collection, the 1973 TEC Article Coin. Do it now after reading all the nice examples sent in by your fellow members, it really is only a matter of Doing!.

COUNTERMARKED COINS

by Frank A. Shelmerdine TEC #447
Stockport, Cheshire, England



The countermarking or any other "mutilation" of the Coins of The Realm is illegal in the U. K. and, because of this, elongated coins are virtually unknown. However there was a period when coins, countermarked with advertisements, circulated freely and were accepted by shop-keepers in this country.

At the end of 1861 the change was made from Copper to Bronze for the penny and half-penny and the Royal Mint was unable to meet the demand for the new coins. Even though contracts were given to Boulton and Watt, and Ralph Heaton & Son to produce

coins in 1860-2 and again to Heatons in 1874 - 82, there was a serious shortage of small change.

The result was that French 10¢ and 5¢ pieces were imported privately. Although they were not legal tender, they were readily accepted in change. Coins from Italy, Spain and Luxembourg also circulated but the French coins were most acceptable since the 10¢ and 5¢ pieces were almost identical in size and weight to the English penny and half-penny respectively. Their import was further stimulated by the fact that the rate of exchange produced 252 10¢ pieces to the L1 (English Pound Note) against the 260 pence in the L1 and the importers made a profit of a shilling in the pound.

The Coinage Offences Act of 1861 made it illegal to deface British and Colonial coins but it was not illegal to deface foreign coins or to import them. Advertising slogans began to appear, stamped into the French coins. Certainly the most profuse although probably not the first advertisement was "PEARS SOAP". Andrew Pears, a soap manufacturer, introduced his still famous transparent soap in 1807. Thomas Barret married the daughter of Francis Pears, Andrew's grandson, who inherited the ever expanding business. In 1865 Barret became joint proprietor with Francis and Andrew, Francis' son. Barret had many ideas for advertising- puzzles and optical illusions as well as conventional press and poster advertisements, both here and in the U.S.A. He imported 250,000 French coins, countermarked them "PEARS SOAP", and put them in circulation in 1884-5. The company still exists as a subsidiary of Unilever.

Another advertiser who may be of interest in the U.S.A. was George Borwick who Countermarked French 10¢ pieces "BORWICKS BAKING POWDER" in 1880. His company is now owned by the Pillsbury Co. of Minneapolis. Other advertisement countermarks included "COLMAN'S MUSTARD", "DIX GAS LAMP MAKERS CLERKENWELL", "TILLEY'S COALS BRIGHTON" and "CLIFT PIANOS EASTBOURNE."

The circulation of "French Pennies", countermarked or otherwise, increased until they accounted for as much as 10% of the bronze coinage circulating. The importation of foreign coins was eventually banned in 1887 but a public outcry resulted, as holders of these coins would suffer loss if they were no longer acceptable. A six week period of grace was therefore permitted, during which French Coins could be exchanged at any Post Office at a rate of 13 to a shilling. Even countermarked coins were officially accepted and the withdrawal was completed by June 1887.

Collectors - now search for those which were not exchanged.

LONG ISLAND ELONGATED

by Michael R. Pender TEC #281
Garden City, New York

As a collector of all exonumia relating to Long Island, N.Y. I came to realize that there were very few elongated coins rolled for events or places on Long Island, except for the two New York World's Fairs and for Coney Island. According to Dottie Dows book there were 41 different (plus-varieties) for the 1939-40 Fair and at least 14 for the 1964-65 Fair. There were also 9 for Coney Island (all prior to 1912). The only other Long Island related item in the book is a 1909 Queensboro Bridge elongated.

In order to add to my Long Island collection I commissioned two rollers to roll three different Long Island elongated coins for me. All are dated 1969.

The first commemorates the 325th anniversary of the town of Hempstead. The town was first formed in 1644 when a patent was issued by the Director General of New Netherlands. At the present time the Town has grown to be the largest populated Town in the U.S. with over 830,000 people. This elongated coin was rolled exclusively for my use by R.W. Luchtman and was an issue of only 200 cents.

The second commemorates the Centennial of Garden City, New York. The land for the village was purchased on that date by A.T. Stewart who had a dream of building a planned community. The Village has grown around the Episcopalian Cathedral and currently has over 25,000 residents. This elongated coin was rolled for my exclusive use by Chester M. Rogers. Only 300 elongated coins have been rolled.

The third was a personal store card indicating that I am a collector of elongated coins and reside in Garden City, New York. This was also rolled for my use by R.W. Luchtman and only 200 cents were rolled.

I would be very interested to learn if any TEC member knows of any other Long Island elongated coin not listed herein.

CHRISTMAS ELONGATEDS

by Paul Aubry TEC #417
Englewood, N.J.

I wanted to write an article about my Christmas elongateds but I was not sure how to start, but then I was not sure how to start collecting them either. I had about six (6) at the time I read John Wilcox's (Jack the mailman) article about the Christmas theme. First I wrote to Jack and told him I wanted to collect Christmas coins and asked if he would tell me what coins he had in his collection. He wrote back and told me there were too many to list, but I should start by writing to all the rollers and ask about their Christmas issues.

Well it took me about six months but I now have sixty-five Christmas coins and at least now I know the ones I still need.

Then I learned from Jack that he was going to have his Christmas elongateds on display at the Bergen Coin Show in Paramus, New Jersey. It was just great, not only seeing Jack but also his coins on display. I also got a few coins I needed from Jack. It was the first time I met a member of TEC and it was enjoyable talking to someone interested in the same hobby. He also had his copy of "The Elongated Collector" (I had never seen one) which I looked through. I also met another member of TEC, Robert Dodson (sorry Bob I didn't mean to leave you out).

Back to the Christmas theme, I made up a list of the ones I have and I would be happy to send it to anyone who would like to collect the Christmas theme or if I can help in any other way just let me know. Paul Aubry, 128 Jane Street, Englewood, New Jersey 07631

REPRESENTATIVE AT EXONUMIA JAMBOREE

by Marie P. Trinny TEC #37
Younntville, Calif.

Our President Lloyd Wagaman, had written me, asking if I would be willing to serve as a representative at the 1st National Token, Medal and Exonumia Jamboree, held in San Jose, California, on March 16-18 and to distribute our TEC NEWS and applications. I was happy to serve, but unfortunately could be there only on St. Patrick's Day. We acquired two new members and many indicated a willingness to join.

The tables, which were in front of me, were loaded with literature, mostly about tokens and medals, but true to TEC, I would present the public with our TEC NEWS and an application, inviting them to join us.

On paying admittance, we were given three elongated coins and a medal, which could be used as a dollar at any of the bourse tables. The three elongated coins were, one commemorating the Jamboree, Alberta Wagaman, Secretary, Join TEC in 1973 (like the one we received with the previous TEC NEWS) and one of C. "Gus" Meccarello's.

Attracting much attention was a dealer's elongating machine, on which for a small fee, one could choose one of two designs they preferred. One was the Lord's Prayer, (which the die was cracked) and the other a portrait of an unidentified man. Only cents and dimes were rolled.

Our first President of TEC, Dottie Dow was there, as well as Don Dow, Harold Schmal and Danny Crabb (whom I met for the first time.) Both Dottie and Danny were most generous, in giving out of their elongated coins. Our grandson, Michael Clarenbach is a beginner in collecting elongated coins and through the generosity of the rollers, is on his way to a good start. He acted as my assistant and would "take over" for me, so I could look at the bourse tables. I added to my collection. I'm looking forward to August when I'll be able to meet many of you, that I correspond with and will bring my duplicates for trading. See you in Boston.

A "RED BOOK" FOR ELONGATEDS

by Eric Goodwin TEC #520
Santa Ana, California

Twenty five years ago, in 1948, I started collecting U.S. coins. One of the first things I bought was the "Red Book" and then subscribed to a coin periodical which I believe has since gone out of business. The "Red Book" was invaluable to me in obtaining mintage figures and current prices. I was able to immediately see the value of obtaining 50D nickels and 49S dimes, while they were still reasonable in price. Through the years books which have quoted current prices of U.S. Coins, foregin coins and numismatic covers, have been a great aid in buying and trading. I suggest that someone with enough time, try to obtain enough information from rollers and collectors to put together a "Red Book" of elongateds. This would be extremely valuable, even if it was limited to the production of modern rollers. Pictures would not be necessary, only descriptions and current values and mintages, if possible. I know that I would be glad to contribute all the information about material, that I have bought.

In closing I suggest the idea that the "Red Book" has a great positive effect in the growth of collecting U.S. Coins. I believe a similar effect would occur with our hobby.

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"A STORY OF ODDS AND ENDS"by Harold Anderson TEC #483
Caro, Michigan

As I sit in my office writing this article, it is snowing very hard outside, the date is April 10, 1973. We have about four more inches of snow on its way, but the weather man said, maybe more is on its way before it stops. We are lucky in a way, because about 35 or 40 miles from here, there are floods and many homes have been washed away.

In March I exhibited my elongated coins for the first time and I was proud of the points the judges gave me. I didn't win but it gave me a nice feeling of exhibiting my elongated coins. It seems so funny for me to exhibit coins again and this was my first time in years. Of late I've been a paper money exhibitor but I can change--right!

In Detroit, Michigan I saw many old elongated coins. Some were low priced but most were very high priced. A little out of line for a few of us. I always keep looking and find what I can afford.

My wife Alice and I were at a Wooden Nickel restaurant opening so I have some extra wood for my friends. This restaurant was named The Purple Pickle, but now its called "The Wooden Nickel". How does that grab you?

Well members, like I always said its convention time and if the ground is covered with snow now, just think in 137 days we will all meet again with love and a big hug and kisses. We will all be telling each other what we have been doing all year. We grow to love our friends more and more each year.

In the past few years we have made many friends with a lot of wonderful people. Every year we meet many more new friends. Alice and I are very happy that we are members of so many clubs and meeting new people is like a hobby in itself.

That big convention has so many things to do and it is something to look forward to. You can always find elongated coins, all kinds of paper money, medals, stamps or just about anything in the field of numismatics. Boston is going to have a real nice show and one of the best, if you haven't been to one before, I hope you can make it to this show. I hope you all have a good summer, see you in Boston.

HOW I STARTED COLLECTING ELONGATED COINS by Marion Center TEC #160
Middletown, Ohio

Well I think I started to collect elongated coins in the sixties. I'm really not sure of the date I really got started, but its really not important. Anyhow I saw an article in Coin World by Dottie Dow, about some elongated coins she had for sale. She also told about a new club that was starting up, on elongated coins. This got me very interested and I joined TEC #160. I have been very happy with TEC and have never been sorry that I joined.

I have a lot of the newer elongated coins, but I don't have any of the older ones, or some of the expensive ones. I do have a few sets that I am very proud of, one is a set of John F. Kennedy half dollars, by A.A. Rosato. I also have the set of Beam Bottles by Mr. Danny B. Crabb. I also have about all that our President Lloyd E. Wagaman has elongated too.

I think this is a wonderful hobby and I get a lot of enjoyment, from it. I would like to say a word about the TEC NEWS. I think the Editors are doing a very fine job. I also would like to be on the mailing list of all the TEC members who elongate coins.

(Cont. from April-May-June
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- - - CATALOGUE - - -

JFK

AS PORTRAYED
ON ELONGATED
COINS

by Don Sabo
Prospect Hts. Ill.

- KENN- #14A Same as #14, but starter slot added above word "its" in quote.
- KENN- #14B Same as #14A but rolled on 1967 half dollar
- KENN- #14C Same as #14A but spelling of yours is corrected to your.
- KENN- #14D Same as #14 C rolled on cent
- KENN- #14E Same as #14D rolled on aluminum

- KENN- #15 Wire border showing faint dotted border out side of it. /center/facing portrait of JFK showing portion of shoulders. /no wording/ die engraved or etched by J. Meccarrello, Pine Plains, N.Y./ not in Dow or Rochette book.
- KENN- #15A Similar to #15, but has branch of leaves to right on edge of coin, rolled by J. Meccarrello, Pine Plains, N.Y.
- KENN- #15B Similar to #15B/ to left of portrait/ "1917 and JM."/ to right "1965" and branch of leaves."/above/ John F. Kennedy. Rolled on half dollar. Rolled by J. Meccarrello, Pine Plains, N.Y./ not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #15C Same as #15B, but rolled on piece of brass.
- KENN- #16 No border/ center/ small portrait of J.F.K./ Below/ John F. Kennedy/ rolled by J. Meccarrello, Pine Plains, N. Y. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #17 Dotted border/ portrait slightly larger than #16,/to left /1917 to right/ 1963/ below/ John F. Kennedy and initial JM/. Rolled by J Meccarrello, Pine Plains, N.Y./ not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #18 Wire border/ partial wreath to left and right./ center divided by straight sprig of floral leaves/ dates / 1925 1963/ to left/ portrait of Robert Kennedy with initial JM on shoulder./to right smaller bust of JFK/above/ "Robert & John"/ below "Kennedy". Rolled by J. Meccarrello, Pine Plains, N.Y./ issued on half dollars /. not in Dows or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #18A Same as #18, but trial rolling on piece of brass.
- KENN- #18B Same as #18, but trial rolling on piece of copper.
- KENN- #19 Border dotted/ full bust of JFK facing left./ left edge/ 35th President/ right edge/ John F. Kennedy/ below bust/ United States of America/ 3mm from bottom of "R" in "America" to dotted border. Dow #12, not in Rochette's book.
- KENN- #19A Same as #19, but hair part wider and minor changes in portrait. Not in Dow's book, Rochette #K-63-14. Rolled on 1963D antiqued rev. cent. Designed and produced by Charles Mullin, Staten Island, N.Y.
- KENN- #19B Similar to #19A/Die re-engraved/face now has sculptured appearance/ hair out line changed on back of head to change shape, original outline of head shape at rear, still can be seen./ JFK's eye appears as slit. Rolled on 1963D antiqued cent. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.

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- KENN- #19C Same die as #19B/ eye appears as pupil/ wider hair part/ rolled on 1967 cent antiqued red rev. Distributed by R.H. Luchtman, Arivaca, Arizona. Not in Dow or Rochettes book.
- KENN- #20 Wording same as #19, no "-" after "35th". Head and collar only of JFK/ forehead, below eye and jaw almost flat bald spot in hair, to left of ear and right of eyebrow. Mouth full distinct line. Dotted border. Dow #13, and Rochette #K-63-13
- KENN- #20A Similar to #20/ hair filled in, in temple area/ mouth small but distinct/eye shows round pupil/ not like #20./ Dow #13A, Rochette #K-63-13A
- KENN- #20B Similar to #20A/ pupil of eye missing, mouth now indistinct/. Dow #13, Rochette #K-63-13B
- KENN- #20C Similar to #20A/ raised areas on face now smoothly done/ mouth small and distinct. Dow #13C, Rochette #K-63-13C
- KENN- #21 No border/ center/ portrait of JFK facing left/ below in light lettering JFK/ to left grip slot. Rolled by L.E. Wagaman, Camby, Indiana./ This is a trial specimen of which 6 pcs. were made./ not in Dow or Rochette's book/. Die was destroyed by further engraving/ rare. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #21A Similar to #21/ hole in die to accommodate porttait on half dollar is deeper./ Below/ JFK in heavy letters./ above/ in Memoriam/ around portrait/ wreath/ to left on diagonal 1917/ to right on diagonal 1963/ grip slot to left and small letters LW/ only 118 pcs. were rolled and issued by L.E. Wagaman. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #21B Example of destroyed die of #21A/ only 3 specimens rolled on British half pennies/rare/Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #22 No border/outline of a teardrop with head of JFK within facing to right/ background around head is grained finish/ above head in coarse background are the letters JFK faintly visible/ rolled on aluminum tokens/ six trial pieces were rolled/ die destroyed by further engraving. Made and rolled by D. Sabo, Prospect Hts., Illinois. Not in Dow or Rochette book.
- KENN- #22A Similar to 22 but lettering outside of teardrop added/ above/ John F. Kennedy/ below/ 1917-1963 on diagonal to either side, on neck/ Don Sabo/ rolled on half dollar. Note: Lettering engraved by L.E.Wagaman, Camby, Indiana. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #22B Same as #22A, but rolled on silver dollar./ engraved on reverse as follows/ elongated June 1, 1972. This silver dollar and two other coins were rolled as favor pcs. for the collections of Irv. Glick and Lloyd Wagaman by Don Sabo who engraved the portrait and Lloyd Wagaman who engraved the lettering. This is coin #1/ Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #22C Same/ Reverse inscription to Irv. Glick. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #22D Same/ reverse inscription to L.E. Wagman. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.

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- KENN- #22E Same/rolled on copper blank/ trial specimen/ same as #22A/ 6 specimens rolled. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #23 Wire border/ coin verticle/ pictures, Neil Armstrong descending from a lunar craft/ below initials/DS/ above/ "We choose to go to the moon in this decade J.F.K!"/Quote is in six lines. Rolled by Don Sabo, Prospect Hts. Ill. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
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NOTICE

The ANA 82nd Anniversary Convention will be held in Boston, Mass., this coming August 23-27. I'm sure all TEC members know our 7th annual convention will be held in conjunction with the ANA. Your Secretary has received a letter from the ANA Convention Committee inviting clubs and members to send a contribution of \$5.00 or more to insure the financial success of the convention. The official convention program will print the names of all dealers, individuals, or clubs that send a contribution. The TEC Board of Governors have voted to send a club contribution of \$25.00. If you as a member of either ANA or TEC should care to make a contribution, it would be most sincerely appreciated. All checks should be made out to the ANA 82nd Anniversary Convention and mailed to ANA 82nd Anniversary Convention, P. O. Box 1973, Newtonville, Mass. 02160.

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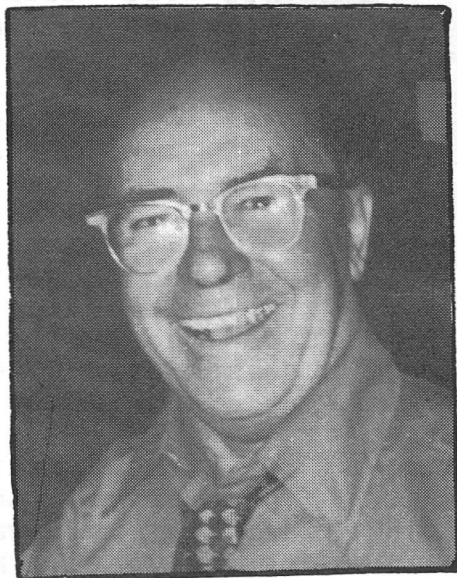
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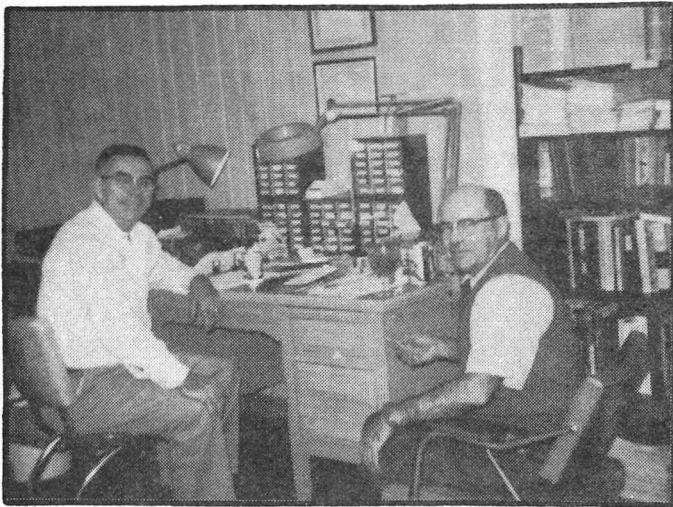
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I LOST A FRIEND

by Lloyd E. Wagaman TEC #33
Camby, Indiana



My first meeting with Henry W. Blaha came about during the 1966 ANA convention in Chicago, Illinois. We had corresponded before this and had become pretty good friends via the U.S. Mail. My first impression on meeting Henry was, that he was even a more "dedicated to the hobby" man, than I figured from our correspondence. We became very close friends and Henry made the trip to Camby to visit us two or three times a year, right up to the end. In a phone call just a few days before his death, he told us he had planned to come down, but had, had to go to the hospital instead.

Within a few months of our first meeting Henry had me roll two elongated coins for him. This was the "Hobby Horse" and the "Henry W. Blaha" storecard. Henry purchase over 5000 pieces from the dies and all were given away, to further the hobby and none of these were ever sold by him.

Henry was chairman of a re-strike committee in the early years of TEC and urged that dies be destroyed, to prevent someone else from using them in later years and thus devalue what a coin might have increased in value over a few years. Most rollers have even seemed more interested in selling coins than in preserving values so the idea was practically discarded. Henry had personally purchased the die of the "Stack" store card, (ILL-chi #10) and had mentioned he was going to destroy it. I don't know if he ever got around to destroying it or not. Henry was employed for many years in an aluminum foundry and his work was hot and hard. When he would come home at night, tired from a hard day at the foundry, it was real easy to postpone things like destroying some dies. He had also purchased a rolling machine a few years ago and had designed and had made about 12 different dies. To the best of my knowledge these dies had not been destroyed as he had rolled very few coins from each of them and had plans of rolling some more before destroying them. As of this writing it is not exactly clear just who is in possession of Henry's machine and whether or not they also have his dies. I hope who ever has them will respect Henry's wishes and destroy those dies.

Henry was President of TEC, for the two year term, August 1969 thru August 1971. It was not a good two years and it got off to a bad start, by Henry being hospitalized during the 69 convention. It was during this hospital stay that he first learned he had leukemia. I think he realized from then on that he would never have a long life. Although Henry was the most "dedicated to the hobby," man I've ever known, things didn't go well for him as President of TEC, and membership dropped off considerable. I know for a fact that he tried real hard, but he just failed to get the cooperation of the membership that he needed. He told me many times that he didn't want to be President, but was "pushed" into it. He wanted to be a board member, but not President.

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I believe Henry was the most considerate person I've ever known. He was continually picking up gifts for different people and I don't mean a few people either. There were dozens of them. I don't believe he ever made a trip to Camby, without a needed elongate for me, a package of Lincoln material for Alberta and a "chew bone," or a toy for Stormy, our dog.

Henry's passing is mourned by many. The elongated hobby lost a most dedicated member and many of us lost much more, a true friend.

(Photo on opposite page shows Henry Blaha (r) with President Wagaman on one of his visits to the Wagaman's home in Camby, Indiana. Photo above shows Henry Blaha cutting his birthday cake recently also at the Wagaman's home in Camby.)



OUR FRIEND BILL LEE

by Norman & Ruth MacQuithy TEC #186 #187
Kansas City, Missouri

It is with the deepest regret that I am sending this article, but felt sure that the many friends that were made by this man in the elongated hobby, should be told of his death.

William M. Lee, TEC #205 better known as Bill Lee, died March 22, 1973, of a heart attack. Bill Lee was born on February 26, 1905. He has been a collector of coins, tokens and medals for many years. A few years ago I gave Bill some of my extra elongated coins, at which time he became an avid collector of elongated coins. In the late thirties and the early forties, Bill had a Western Band and played on the radio every Saturday night. He also was a Mason and a active member of the Mid-West Numismatic Association, in Kansas City. He had worked every year during National Coin Week with our Coin Clinic. This was put on by our coin club and was held on the promenade of the Ward Park Way Shopping Center. Bill was a very good friend and we will all miss him very much.

Survivors of William Lee are his wife, Mrs. Anna Lee of Kansas City, Kansas. He also leaves a sister Mrs. Lucille Myers and a neice Gail Myers, of Independence, Missouri.

Services were held at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, March 24, 1973. He was at the Gates Funeral Home, 41st and State Line, in Kansas City, Kansas. His last resting place is the Leis Summit Cemetery in Leis Summit, Missouri.

(Editors Note:- The officers and members of TEC wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of William Lee TEC #205. Any of Bills friends who wish to send the family a card or a letter may do so by writing to the family at the following address,- Mrs. William Lee, 2508 W. 45th Ave., Kansas City, Kansas 66103. We are sorry to say we did not receive a picture of William Lee. We would have put it in along with this article.)

"HENRY'S LAST HANDSHAKE"

Written for Henry Blaha by Dottie Dow

There once was a guy we called Henry,
You couldn't find a guy more friendly.
And a quick shy smile he always had,
You knew about him there was nothing bad.

He had a laugh that was all his own,
And he was one that lived all alone.
Except for his dog he called Fluffy,
And her, he never treated roughly.

With her he shared all his meals and bed,
He always had time to scratch her head.
No children did he have to call his own,
Fluffy's pups, to his life, added tone.

Of hobbies, he enjoyed quite a few,
His collection was always on view.
So why hide it in a bank he said?
Of robbers, he never had a dread,

Handshake tokens of many a size,
As a collection they were a prize.
Many were bought but many were given,
To a great guy who enjoyed livin'

Sculptured coins, of many a design,
Of these he had many different kinds.
But one collection, none could surpass,
Elongated coins were made to last.

Of the other things that he did save,
Only on his elongateds did he slave.
Elongateds were more than just coins,
To him, they were the bond that joins.

Man to man and woman to woman,
Man to woman and woman to man.
The friendships found while collecting,
Are not the ones for neglecting.

Collecting can make one's heart sing,
But it's the friends that make the bells ring.
The bells ring now, for Death's had it's toll,
No more elongateds can he roll.

Henry's gone in body alone,
You all know this as you read this poem.
To Henry, God's extended his hand,
The last Handshake he'll have on this land.

MY GOOD FRIEND, HENRY BLAHA

by Ben Odesser TEC #178
Chicago, Illinois

Henry Blaha, my good friend passed away on Wednesday, March 21, 1973. He was a member of the Token and Medal Society, and immediate past president of The Elongated Collectors. He was a true Exonumist in every sense of the word. He often said, "Anyone can collect 'money'!". He had one of the top collections of elongated coins - a fine collection of love tokens, a very nice collection of pop-out or sculptured coins, and a large collection of exonumia with handshakes. He also had an elongated machine on which he made elongated coins for his own pleasure and to trade and give away. I can't remember him ever selling anything for a profit. One might think, from this, that Henry Blaha was wealthy. He was a worker in a foundry at a nominal salary, he had no checking account, paid all his bills with money orders. He was also a bachelor and lived alone with his dog.

Henry was a tail gunner on a bomber during World War II and was shot down over Germany. He spent about a year in a prisoner-of-war camp in Germany. Not many of his numismatic friends knew this and I was only able to find out after numerous questionings.

I never heard him say anything nasty about anybody nor have I heard anyone say an unkind word about Henry. He was a sweet and wonderful guy and I will miss him terribly. Knowing him has enriched my life.

TO HENRY

by Ruby Threlkeld TEC #202
La Marque, Texas

Last August I met Henry Blaha for the first time, at the American Numismatic Association convention, in New Orleans, La. Henry and I have been friends and have been writing letters to each other, since "The Elongated Collectors" was organized. When I met Henry in New Orleans, it was as if I had always known him.

He was a kind and generous person to so many people. Always when I wrote him to thank him for a gift he had sent me, he would answer, "the pleasure was all mine."

Anyone who is as thoughtful of their mother as Henry was, has to be a good man. Although Henry worked every day, he never missed a week without seeing his mother, in the two years she was in the hospital.

I do not think there was anyone that did not like Henry Blaha. Henry will be sadly missed by all TEC members and all his friends, that he had from all over the United States. The one that will miss him most of all, is his dog, "Short Stuff," his constant companion for many years.

God bless you Henry, you will never be forgotten.

If we knew those eyes were closing in that sleep
that knows no dreaming,

We would be so kind and tender; lightly judge
and gently speak,

Let us ask as though we knew it, for the links
so swiftly break.

LITTLE BROTHER WITH A BIG HEART

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

We first met Henry Blaha, at the A.N.A. convention in Philadelphia, Penn. in 1969. Henry was on one side of the hotel lobby waiting for Dottie Dow to arrive, while we were on the other side waiting for her to arrive too. Up until then I had never met Henry, but had been writing letters to him. Once we met that loveable little guy, we became a family. Henry was a happy go lucky sort of a guy and just loved being around people.

The night before he got so sick we were all with him, just talking and having fun. By the time we got around to seeing the TEC family in the morning, Henry was already in the hospital. We went to see Henry the same day and when we heard what the Doctors were doing we kind of thought something was really wrong with him. It was hard saying goodbye to Henry the last day, as he had to stay there and we had to go back to Connecticut.

In St. Louis in 1970, we spent some of our happiest days with Henry. He brought us all little gifts and if he saw something he thought we liked he got it for us. The fun we had there, I don't think I shall ever forget. That's where we started the "who who, what what," club. Everyone was talking at once, so you always heard someone saying, "who who," or "what, what did you say."

Believe me we just had fun. The TEC family went to all their meals, in a group so we could all be together. We even took over one lobby for ourselves. We would walk around, but always ended up in our favorite chairs. At night we all, or as many as would fit in a room would get together. Henry was always having us sign our names on a one dollar bill, for him. We signed so many I asked Henry, if he was selling them out in the hall.

When Alice and Steve Penzes were married, the TEC family all took part in the wedding. Henry, of course gave the bride away. Henry was so proud, he told us he felt like their real father.

I think we will all have fond memories, every time we think of the A.N.A. convention and of the fun we had with Henry and our TEC family in St. Louis, Missouri.

In 1971, in Washington D.C. Henry wasn't himself as he had been in the past. You could almost see that leukemia had taken over. He was sick a lot there and tried to hide it from us that he was. I only wish we knew.

In 1972 in New Orleans Henry was the same, a little weaker and a little more tired. Henry tried to be gay and never once let on he was so sick. Henry took in a few sights and always came back with a gift or two for one of us. He really enjoyed the trolley ride around New Orleans. After he got off, Henry let the trolley run over some coins to prove that a rolling machine was still the best for rolling over coins.

We did have fun in New Orleans, but things were a little different. We all said our goodbys, but I still thought we would see Henry this August. By November Henry was getting weaker, but he still didn't give up. At Christmas we still received two boxes of goodies from him. I tried to tell Henry, not to spend his money on us but to save it. Henry wrote back, "where I'm going I don't need much money and I do this because I love you folks."

Right after Christmas Henry wrote me a 14 page letter, just writing as a brother would. He wrote as if he would be gone before to long. All he wanted to say is, don't forget your little brother Henry.

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I called him in the hospital a few times and Henry said, Sally this time I'm really sick and a few days later he was gone. Lloyd called me an hour after Henry had passed away, but I wasn't home. When Lloyd called again that night and said, "I have something to tell you," I knew the little man with the big heart, our little brother, Henry, was gone. Yes he is gone, but will never be forgotten by us all.

HENRY W. BLAHA

by John Spadone TEC #422
Miami, Florida

I was indeed sorry to hear about the passing of an old friend Henry W. Blaha of TEC, which can also mean "Top Elongated Collector." I met him many years ago in Miami, at the Bay Front Park Auditorium, when the Gold Coast Coin Club was having their summer coin show. I guess Henry would take his vacation in July and take in a couple of coin shows while visiting his brother in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The first time I saw Henry he was wearing a smile, and one of those crazy, go to heck hats with a big red feather through it, full of fish hooks, buttons and what nots. In his hand he always carried the Dottie Dow book, so full of notes and the clippings were sticking out from the pages. He told me that he also saved love tokens, handshakes, popped out coins, among many other things. While he was looking through my love token pages, he jumped up with excitement and shouted, "hey there's one with my initials H.W.B." Later on I showed him the Exposition coin with the worlds longest handshake, two continents, North and South America shaking hands. While he was still excited about these two finds, I pulled out five pages of elongated coins, 30% of them unlisted and few never seen in the Cicero area, his home town. His eyes looked on those two pages like two magnets on a hunk of iron, for these were his true love, "Elongated Coins." He bought until his money ran out. Many dealers knew Henry well, and put aside items he collected. I don't think Henry ever left the coin shows with much money in his pockets, because he would buy everything in sight. Henry did nothing but talk about elongated coins, Dottie Dow, her book, his rolling machine, handshakes etc. and sign everybody up for TEC, including me.

At that time Henry worked for a foundry and I don't really know whether this could have contributed to his bad health. I'm sure this and some bad luck in his family was the reason he had stopped writing to many of his devoted fellow collectors. When I talk about the 12 top elongated collectors, I can safely say Henry was one of the upper classmen where ever he was. He was sure to leave his mark, the rocking horse, (ride a hobby) and his famous handshake elongated coins which he gave to everyone. I think if I go to Siberia some one there will show me one of his momentos.

After that show was over I also found out that we had something in common. During World War II he flew as a ball turret gunner in the B-17, the "Flying Fortress," and I flew as top turret, engineer, gunner in a B-24, the "Liberator". Anyhow we were both aerial gunners in the same war.

I really enjoyed reading with great interest, some of his best articles on "Elongated Coins", Handshakes during the Knights of the Round Table, Cicero airfield and flying machines, Lost Temple from Chicagos Worlds Fair 1933, and probably many others.

The "Elongated Coin World" will miss one of her top devoted collectors, Henry W. Blaha, (Hank) with his humor, friendship, interest and motivation for his hobby. May we have many more like him that will encourage others and further the hobby of Elongated Coins.

HENRY BLAHA MEMORIAL COIN



The enclosed coin was especially created by Lloyd E. Wagaman for distribution with this issue of the TEC NEWS, as a perpetual memorial to Henry W. Blaha. This is another of President Wagaman's hand-engravings and is being supplied to TEC NEWS at no cost. The membership can be real proud to add this coin to their collection. This elongated coin will not be advertised for sale.

I myself am really proud of this coin and I'm sure you all will be too. This is a nice remembrance of our past President, Henry Blaha. As I first saw the coin and held it in my hand, I could almost hear Henry say, "yah, that is a beautiful coin." I think I can speak for all of the members, that our sincerest thanks goes to President Lloyd E. Wagaman on the superb job he did on this Memorial Coin.

HENRY BLAHA PASSES AWAY

by Burton Neal Levy TEC #499
Chicago, Illinois

Henry Blaha of Cicero, Illinois, Vice President of the Chicago based Midwest Elongated Collectors, passed away on the afternoon of March 21 from Leukemia. Services were held on March 26 at the Cermak Funeral Home, 5844 West Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois.

Mr. Blaha was a resident of Cicero. Cremation services were held after the services, at the Bohemian National Cemetery, 5200 Pulaski, Chicago, Illinois.

Henry was the past president of TEC and also the past president of the Morton Grove Coin Club. He was also a member of the American Numismatic Association, the Token and Medal Society and many other clubs. He was also a member of a bomber crew in World War II.

He had an elongated machine and enjoyed making elongated coins to give to his friends, especially youngsters. He collected elongated coins, love tokens and other exnumia.

Survivors include two brothers, William and Ludwig and a half-brother, Joseph Vileta. The M.E.C. club made a donation to the Leukemia Research Fund in the name of Henry Blaha.

HE IS MY BROTHER HENRY, TOO

by Al Kirka TEC #450
Manchester, Conn.

Henry was like a brother to me too and I met him for the first time at the A.N.A. convention in Philadelphia. My wife and I followed Henry around in the bourse room. As this was the first time at a big convention for us, Henry was showing us around. It seemed as if Henry knew all the dealers and they all knew him. Everytime we turned around, Henry was at a different bourse table. We sure had to be quick to follow him. We saw him buy some very good elongated coins right under our nose. Henry seemed to know what he was buying. It was interesting to me as I was just getting interested in elongated coins and Henry was trying to get me to get some coins before my wife beat me to it. Dottie Dow and Henry were having the time of their life, looking for elongated coins. My wife and I did find a few, so we were happy too. I remember one time when Henry had disappeared and we couldn't find him. So Dottie called out, "Henry Where are you?" I had to laugh when Henry called back, "coming Mother as soon as I get my foot out of this bear trap." It seems Henry got his foot caught in the table cloth of one of the dealers table.

All in all it was a pleasure to have been a friend of our TEC brother Henry. My wife Sally will really miss him, but so will I.

ANNOUNCING

The following proposals were voted on and passed at a recent Board Action by mail.

- #1. Be it resolved that the previously authorized annual trophy for the best elongated display exhibited at the A N A - T E C Convention be named "The Henry W. Blaha Memorial Award."
- #2. TEC shall reimburse Lloyd E. Wagaman the sum of \$20.00 for the cost of the flower wreath sent to the Henry W. Blaha funeral.
- #3. Be it resolved that TEC tender a Club Nomination of Maurice M. Gould, TEC #15, to serve on the ANA Board of Governors.

A GOAL ACHIEVED

by Eric Goodwin TEC #520
Santa Ana, California

It seems unbelievable that I collected coins for twenty years, before I had even heard of an elongated coin. In 1968 I was a member of the Tustin Coin Club and Dottie Dow rolled some coins for our club. Then I got the fever and joined T.E.C. I don't know how, but I soon started collecting more of Lloyd Wagaman's coins than those of some other rollers. His price and mintage lists were a great help in keeping tract of my collection. Somewhere through the past five years, I decided to make a complete collection of his regular issues as listed on his destroyed die list. Now, after five years and through the kind cooperation of other collectors, I can say I have one complete collection and I only need a 68 TEC Award Medal for a second completion. I intend to give these collections to my two grandchildren. Some of his rarer pieces were given to me. In these cases I always returned something of value, that was of special interest to the giver. For one coin I paid dearly, but feel that the price was worth it in order to get a complete collection. I highly recommend to other collectors that they try to collect the complete production of a roller. I am ready to begin with a couple of others myself.

ANSWERS PLEASE

by Tom Hudson TEC #528
Long Beach, Calif.

As I'm new in collecting elongated coins I would like to have some questions answered. Can any one help me get the answers?

- 1- What is the most money that has been paid for an elongated coin?
- 2- What is the highest denomination of a U.S. coin to be elongated?
- 3- How do you tell a genuine elongated from a piece not made at the event on it? If a Chicago Century of Progress is made on a coin does it make it genuine and if its on a blank planchet is it not genuine?
- 4- Are there any 3¢ elongateds, 20¢ elongateds, any gold elongateds?
- 5- Are there any Medal elongateds? (WW I - WW II Silver Star etc.)

I realize these might be dumb questions, but when people ask me questions about my field of wooden money I as a rule have an answer but when I get a question on elongateds I as a rule just kind of sit there and look dumber than I am and try to fumble my way through.

(Editors note:- If you have the answers to these questions for Tom write to him at 1806 Rogers St., Apt. 3, Long Beach, Calif. 90805)

NOTES OF INTEREST

Harold Anderson TEC #483, exhibited his elongated coins at a Coin Show in Detroit in March and got 238 points. He didn't win a prize, but Harold had a good feeling of displaying his elongated coins. He said this is only a beginning for him. Good luck to you on your next try.

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Jack Wilcox TEC #332 writes he bought himself the Aubrey Mayhew 1966 book, "The World's Tribute to John F. Kennedy in Medallion Arts," published by William Morrow & Co. It contains the J.F.K. elongated coins issued by one of our former TEC members Ralph Jones. Jack said he happened to buy his book at a flea market, but if anyone was interested in buying this book, go to your local book store.

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Sally Kirka again won a "Best of Show" with her exhibit of her elongated coins. She also came in first in the Miscellaneous category with her other elongated exhibit. Al Kirka came in second with his exhibit of elongated coins at the same show. These were won at the Central Connecticut Coin Club Show in Manchester, Conn.

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Steward Nethkin TEC #519 sent in an idea that may be of interest to others, for storing elongated coins. He puts two elongated coins in one of those 2x2 envelope type plastic holders, staples it in the middle, then puts them in those plastic pages that have 20 2x2 pockets. By putting these holders in each pocket, you can store 40 coins on one page instead of only 20. This is only an idea, as others may have other ways of storing elongated coins. These holders and pages can be bought from your local coin dealer.

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One of our other members, Herman Krajewski, TEC #524, is also running for membership on the A.N.A. Board of Governors. So if anyone wants to help him by voting for him, he will appreciate it.

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Sally Kirka took a 2nd prize on her elongated coins at the Uncas Coin Show which was held in Norwich, Conn. She also received the top award at the Tri State Coin Club of Danielson, Conn., which held an open house during National Coin Week. There really was a tie between Al and Sally and they decided to give Sally the trophy. So Al should get some credit too, as they only gave one trophy and all the rest received ribbons.

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If anyone else has exhibited or gave a talk about elongated coins, let us know so we can put it on our NOTES OF INTEREST page. It also is a good way of keeping track of what you have been doing for our Award Committee.

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Richard Grabowski has had a special elongated coin rolled by SAK (or Sally & Al Kirka). His coin is of Chief Uncas of the Conn. Indians. This coin sells for \$1. and can be bought by writing to him Richard Grabowski, 25 Snipsic St., Rockville, Conn. 06066 Richard has been interested in Indians and has been collecting Indian artifacts.

NOTES OF INTEREST

The American Numismatic Association is having an election of officers this year too. All our TEC members who are members of the A.N.A. should vote, for the officers of their choice. Even though the club has tendered a club nomination to vote for Maurice M. Gould TEC #15 for board of directors, the club will still vote for others. There are two other TEC members who are running for office of A.N.A. George Hatie #401 is running for Vice President and Herman Krajewski #524 is running for Board of Directors. Good luck boys. When you get your A.N.A. ballot, check and vote for the officers of your choice and mail the ballot back. The main thing is to vote.

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Also don't forget to vote for your choice of candidates running for office in TEC. When you receive your TEC ballot, fill it out out and mail it back to the secretary by August 1st.

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Bob Callander of Nappanee, Indiana, gave a program on elongated coins to the Key Club (high school boys) at the Northwood High School on April 17th.

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Herman Krajewski also showed a few slides of elongated coins, with his regular program, at the Central Conn. Coin Club of Manchester, Connecticut, at their April Meeting.

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Dottie Dow our 'Elongated Gal', was badly burned in a freak accident at her home. Dottie tells me she is alright now and the burns will not leave any scars, due to the good help of her Doctor. We hope you are feeling better by the time this reaches you.

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John Spadone wishes to say he is very sorry he ran out of the 2x2 elongated coin holders in March. After the article appeared in TEC NEWS many members sent orders to him. Mr. Spadone has re-ordered more elongated coin holders and they are available now. Write him at 4872 N. W. 171 Terrace, Miami, Florida 33054. Thank you for this service to the elongated collector.

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Congratulations are in order to Alice and Steve Penzes on their 3rd wedding anniversary, this coming August. I think most of you know that Steve and Alice were married at our TEC meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. So Happy Anniversary Alice and Steve from all of us.

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The annual meeting of TEC will be held Friday, August 25th, at 2:30 P.M. in Boston, Mass., at the A.N.A. convention. Don't forget to attend if you are at the convention.

The annual Board of Governors meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. August 25th at the convention also. All officers and board members please attend this important meeting.

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Don't forget to send in your articles early, the earlier the better. Do not wait until the deadline, or it may be too late.

UNLISTED DIRECTORY - - PART VII

by Bob Callander TEC #307
Nappanee, Indiana

- CAL-GGIE 22. Aerial view of G.G. Bridge in background. No date shown. At bottom in small letters, /Golden Gate/ International/ Exposition/. Dotted border.
- CAL-GGIE 22a. Same as #22. Rev., same as F.D.R.#21.
- CALs.f 6a. Rolled horizontal on coin./SAN FRANCISCO'S FAMOUS CHINATOWN/ inside border at top. Below, scene of Chinatown buildings and /LARGEST IN U.S.A./. Dotted border.
- FLAxxx 2. Map of Florida with highways marked. At top, /JACKSONVILLE/, at bottom, /KEY WEST/. Other cities marked are /TALLAHASSEE/, /PENSACOLA/, /TAMPA/. and /MIAMI/. Upper right on land area is written, /STATE OF FLA./. Rope border.
- FLAmia 6. /WORLD'S PLAYGROUND/ MIAMI FLA./ Below are shown pictures of sun, palm trees, jockey on horse, crane and fish. Rope border.
- CALxxx 5. /SOUVENIR OF HOLLYWOOD/. Street scene showing buildings. At left, street post shows writing, /Hollywood & Vine/. Below, /VICTORY/ 1945/. Dotted border.
- CALxxx 6. Oval inside border. Upper half of outer oval, /SOUVENIR U.S.A. ARMY WAR MANEUVERS/. Inside oval, soldier carrying rifle, standing and facing front. Lower half of outer oval, /CALIFORNIA 1941/. Rope border.
- ILLchi 24. /GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL/. Below, coat of arms with /LOYALTY/ written at top of it and letters "B", "P", "U" and "Y" written on parts of design. At left, /July 25-28/, to right /1901/. Below /CHICAGO/. Obv. is wording, /VISIT /ARMOUR'S/ THE LARGEST PACKING/ PLANT IN THE WORLD/. Rolled border.

Special thanks to Milton Heitman for assistance on most of the above pieces. If you have an elongated and you can't find a listing on it. send a foil or rubbing of it to Bob at the following address,- Bob Callander, P.O. Box 71, Nappanee, Indiana 46550.



"HELLO SALLY, I'M GUS"

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

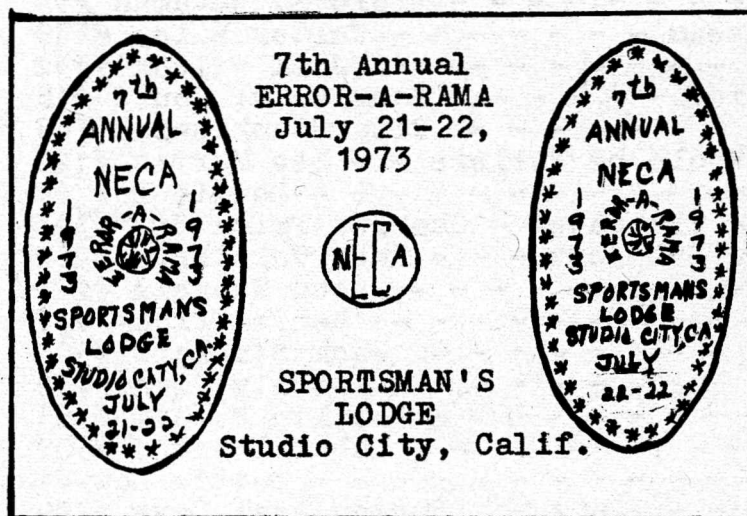
Last March Al and I had a table at a coin show in Mahopac, New York. While there I had the pleasure of meeting Gus Meccarello. Was I surprised when a man walked up to me and said, "hello Sally I'm Gus Meccarello." Well for the next three hours Gus and I had a long talk together. There were so many things I wanted to talk over about rolling out coins and I asked many questions about rolling machines. Gus was kind enough to answer all my questions and believe me there were plenty I had to ask. When we got through talking, it was as if I knew Gus all my life. It was really a pleasure meeting him.

I introduced Gus to three other TEC members, Chester Grabowski, Herman Krajewski and my husband Al, who were also at the coin show. You could almost say it was like a TEC get together, as everyone was happy to meet Gus.

Gus invited us to come out to see his Elongated Coin Museum. I may just do that one of these days, when the warmer weather is here. I hear from others its really something to see. Everyone that goes there tells me they can learn a lot about elongated coins, from the beginning to the end. I already sent Gus two of my first coins I had rolled and two of the first coins Al had rolled for his museum.

So any of you TEC friends out there, if you see us anywhere, do as Gus did, walk up and say, "hello Sally, I'm Gus." Its always a pleasure to meet TEC members.

ELONGATED COINS



EAR '73

In following the tradition of EAR, all registered guests will receive an admission badge with a free elongated 1¢. Badge with an elongated silver 10¢ and 1¢ is available for \$1 donation to EAR '73 either by advance mail (SASE) or at the registration desk during the show.

The badge is 2nd in a series & is similar to the one pictured.

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ELONGATED EAR '73 TYPE SETS

Type Sets will be struck only for those orders received. The cost is \$2.95 apiece and consists of cent thru half dollar. Delivery will be made as soon as possible after EAR concludes and the coins are rolled. This year coins will be rolled by C.J. Meccarello.

We offer to buy the EAR '71 Elongated Type Sets at \$15.00 apiece.

Send all orders to - - - - RONN FERN

'73 Treasurer

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TEC NEWS COIN



The special coin for presentation to members for writing an article for TEC NEWS, has been mailed to all members that have earned it. The coins are all serial numbered and the first 26 were presented for articles in the Jan.- Feb - Mar. issue. This coin cannot be purchased, but can only be had by writing an article for TEC NEWS. Coins numbered 27 thru 59 have been sent to the following members, for their articles in the April, May and June issue.

27	- From the Presidents Desk - - - - -	Lloyd E. Wagaman #33
28	- Putnam Coin Club of Carmel, N.Y. - - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
29	- Royalty for a Day at Coin World - - - - -	Alberta Wagaman #165
30	- Just a Reminder to all - - - - -	Sally Kirka #16
31	- Exonumia Jamboree in San Jose - - - - -	Lloyd E. Wagaman #33
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37	- J.F.K. as Portrayed on Elongated Coins - - - - -	Don Sabo #341
38	- All About an Unlisted that got Away - - - - -	David J. Singer #423
39	- Its a lot of Hard Work, but its Fun - - - - -	Al Kirka #450
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FOR SALE

The Henry Blaha elongated rolling machine is up for sale to the highest bidder. The minimum bid is \$300.00. The machine is in good working order and comes with a die of the Lords Prayer. All those that are interested in this machine can write to:- Ben Odesser, 6332 N. Richmond St., Chicago, Ill. 60659

COLLECTING OF ELONGATED COINS

by Steward Nethken TEC #519
Culpeper, Virginia

I've read articles about how others started collecting elongated coins and of the type of coins they collect. Well I truly don't know why I started. I had seen only a few, like the Lord's Prayer, Ten Commandments etc., the usual one finds in souvenir shops.

I was at a coin show and very depressed about the melting of silver coins. It seemed that all the coin dealers wanted to do, was to make a quick turn over of their money. This in its part seems to take all the enjoyment out of collecting.

I was passing by a table and I saw an elongated coin, like I've never seen before. I got to talking to the dealer about it and he said, that they had made all kinds years ago. This elongated coin took my eye and he sold it to me reasonable.

I was reading Coin World about a month later and in section 116 I saw an ad, that "Gus" Meccarello placed in it. I wrote him and he in turn recommended T.E.C. to me. I subscribed to the TEC NEWS and applied for membership.

After reading the TEC NEWS and of the pleasure one has through elongated coins, I guess that was the beginning of a new hobby for me, or (my happy days). I've met many kind and very understanding elongated collectors thru letters and they in turn helped me contact many of the rollers and many of the dealers of older elongated coins.

When you are the only collector in the area, a person gets lax and I find that is what happens to me, from time to time. Getting the TEC NEWS is a great inspiration, for me. I really get with it, when I receive my copy.

One of the best things about collecting elongated coins are the people like Lloyd Wagaman, R.W. Luchtman, who have given us a superb and detailed booklet of all their elongated coins, that they have produced and all the people who make the TEC NEWS possible. These are a great helping hand and like others, have inspired and re-inspired me in my new hobby. I'll say it again and again, that the T.E.C. members are a great group of people.

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DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE - ADS, AUG. 10th - ARTICLES, AUG. 15th

MY START IN ELONGATED COINS

by B.J. Rubenstein TEC #585
Miami, Florida

I have been a collector of United States coins and paper money over thirty years. Since moving to Miami, Florida, have joined most of the coin clubs in this area.

A few years ago my good friend, John G. Spadone talked to me about helping design a elongated coin. He told me this was an interesting hobby, a lot of people buy and sell old and new designs. John carries a nice stock. Everytime he would see me, all he wanted was for me to get interested in this hobby.

In 1971 an elongated cent was designed for a three day coin and stamp show, held by The Gold Coast Coin Club, Inc., of Hollywood Florida. Ten dealers names were put around the clubs name. This was my first venture into the Elongated coins. It was a success and I enjoyed this. I was President at that time.

After this I started to collect elongated coins that appealed to me. These are not for sale or trade, because at the present time I only have one of each. At the Fort Lauderdale Coin Club show I will try and exhibit some of my coins in June.

Toward the end of 1972, two elongated cents were designed with the help of Mr. Spadone, they are "Sport of Kings", racing all year around Miami, Florida and the other one is, "Israel 25th Silver Anniversary. Mr. R.W. Luchtman engraved and rolled them for me. These coins were received by the collectors and non-collectors in a big way.

Since then I have become a member of TEC. Hope to be a member for many years. Enjoy reading our TEC NEWS very much.

Being new in this hobby, can use some help from some of you old timers and I will pass along this information to collectors around the Hollywood area. If anyone will write me, sometime, we can get together and talk.

Thank you Sally for giving me a warm welcome into the TEC club with a nice letter. This means that the dues don't come first.

I will keep in touch with you and the club officers from time to time. Before I forget, anyone interested in wanting my latest price list of elongated coins and other items I sell, please send an S.S.A.E. along. Again thank you very much for all the help you have given me. My address is, B. J. Rubenstein, 3150 Calle Largo Drive, Hollywood, Florida 33021.



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ROLLING MY FIRST COIN

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

After a long time debating whether I should buy a rolling machine, I finally bought one. I made up my mind on the spur of the moment, while writing to a friend. Maybe it was Lee Martin's article that got me more interested in buying.

On February 8th my machine arrived at our door, by motor freight. It was heavy enough, but it sure didn't look like much. Al was all for unpacking the box, the next day. I agreed until curiosity got the best of me. First I just wanted to see what the machine looked like, so Al unpacked it in the kitchen. The first thing I said was, is that all I get for my money? Its not very big for the work it has to do, even though it could break your back.

Curiosity was still with me and after looking the machine over and putting it together, I asked Al to let me roll just one coin. Well the kitchen table is no place to roll a coin. You know me, I couldn't wait to roll my first coin, no matter how hard it would be. By luck my first coin came out very good, but the next few coins were a disaster. You just can't hold down a machine with one hand and roll a coin with the other. Al suggested we read the instructions and after following them, we rolled a few more good ones. It was quite an experience, but I was proud of the first coin that I rolled.

The next day Al took the machine to the basement and bolted it to the work bench and believe me it was much easier. It didn't take me long to learn a few tricks about rolling coins. If you had read Lee Martins article in the October-November-December, issue of TEC you will get an idea of what a roller must go through, especially a beginner.

Because I've been so busy with TEC NEWS and All my other jobs I just don't have time to roll any coins to sell. I will start selling my coins in the fall and not until then. My elongated pennies will be 75¢ each.



Convention Badges

~~\$~~2.30 EACH

Convention Badges from the past TEC conventions are still available from the secretary for \$2.30. If you do not have them all, it would be a good idea to order them now, while they are still available. There are none left from the 1967 convention. Once the supply is gone, the only way to get them is from another collector that has given up the collecting, of elongated coins. In other words, it will be hard to find one for sale, once the supply is gone. Do not wait. Send in your order to the secretary:- Alberta Wagaman, Route 1, Box 195-D, Camby, Ind. 46113

A WELCOME ADDITION FOR ELONGATED COLLECTORS

by Al Kirka TEC #450
Manchester, Conn.

After receiving a copy of the book, 'The Elongated Coins issued by Lloyd E. Wagaman,' and after looking through it, we find that it is a very welcome addition for the elongated collector. From the 'table of contents' to the last 'odd ball' page, the book lists all of Lloyd Wagemans elongated coins and PNCovers with sharp and clear illustrations. Of special interest to the novice is "The Elongated Story" which describes the history of elongated coins and the different types of dies and methods of engraving. Included are charts listing the issue dates and the mintage rolled of each denomination.

I would like to congratulate Lloyd Wagaman on the fine job he did in putting this book together, listing the coins he issued. Now if someone would undertake the monumental task of compiling a book to list all elongated coins rolled, that would be another 'welcome addition for the elongated coin collector'.

MY QUEST FOR ELONGATED INDIAN

by Richard Grabowski TEC #570
Rockville, Conn.

Since I joined TEC a few months ago, I have not seen any advertisement for elongated coins, with Indians on them.

I've been an avid collector and a collector of Indian paraphernalia for many years and would like to see more Indians representative on the elongated coinage.

They have been the forgotten Americans for too long. Henceforth, if more of you rollers would initiate Indian elongated coins, it would be conducive to the Indian cause; provided the coins rolled represented the true Indian and the tribulations, he was confronted with. This would bring the current problems and past injustices to the focus of the public.

Therefore, since I sincerely believe in their cause, I have had a coin made of "Chief Uncas," the last of the Mohegans; a famous Indian from Norwich, Conn. I hope more rollers will follow my lead. I myself may have some other coins made with other Indians on them.

If anyone has any elongated coins with Indians on them, please let me hear from you.

VISITORS HAVE A TREAT

by Chester Grabowski TEC #512
Rockville, Conn.

As I live in the next town from Al and Sally Kirka, I visit at their home many times. Now that Sally has her elongated coin rolling machine, its very interesting to see.

They always have a few coins painted and ready to show you how the rolling machine works. Never having seen a rolling machine before, this visit proved very interesting to me. Before you leave, they will show you the machine and you will have the pleasure of rolling a few elongated coins for yourself. Sally even found a few tricks of her own and can show you what the different pressures can do to a coin. The machine is not a very large one, but has a lot of power behind it.

We all can't afford to own a rolling machine, so if you ever have a chance to visit anyone that has one, my advice is to go. You will get a very interesting education in rolling out elongated coins that you will never forget.

Don't forget to send in your TEC articles in early, the earlier the better, as we are taking our vacation in August.

SKETCHING ELONGATES

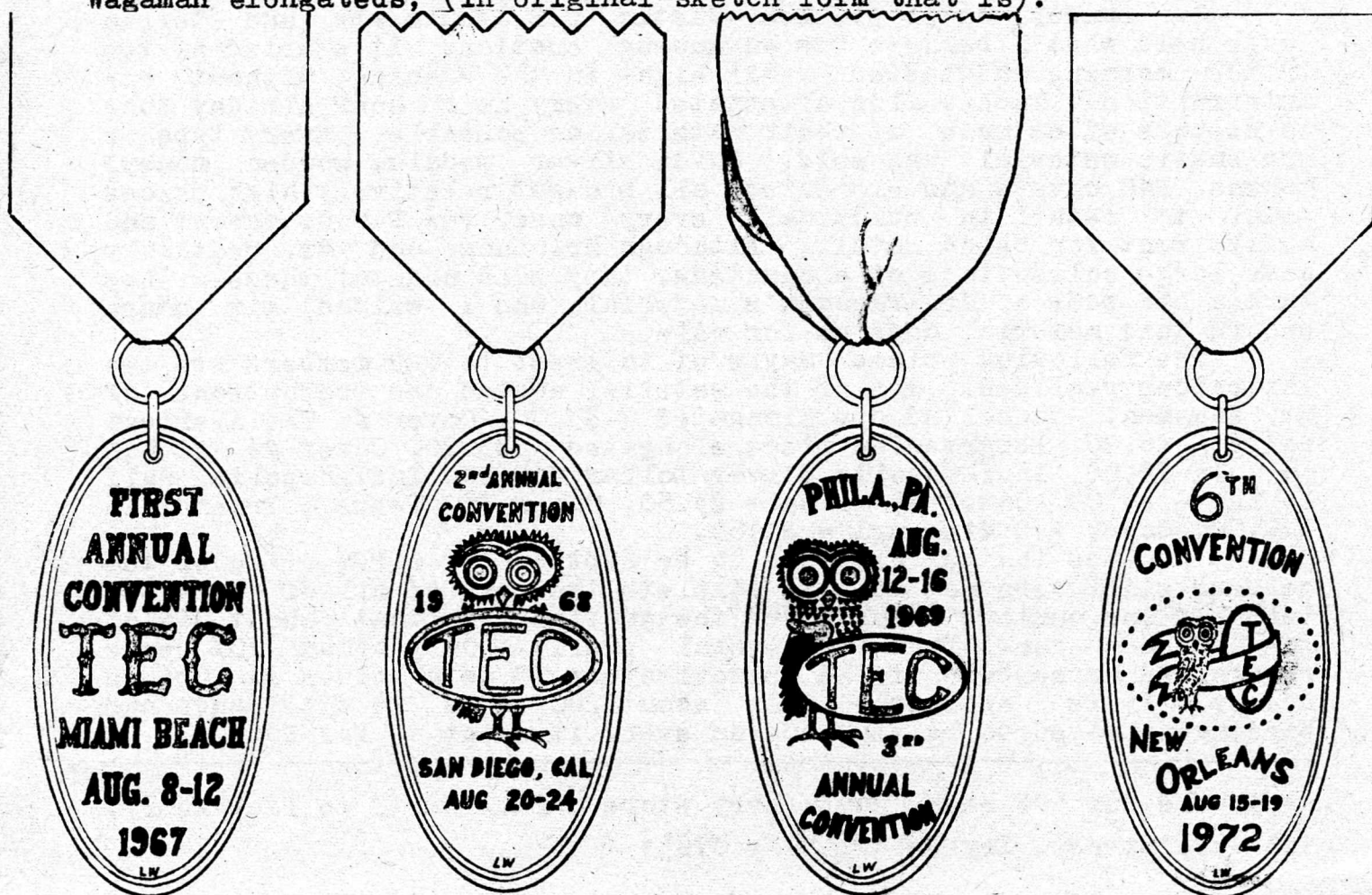
by James R. Davisson TEC #559
Fullerton, Calif.

Several years ago I read an article in the local newspaper telling of a meeting to plan a club of elongated collectors. I decided to go and see what it was all about. There was an interesting meeting and my son and I received several free elongateds. I took home an application blank and a couple weeks later I decided to join. Now my two older sons are junior members.

About a year after I started collecting and after picking up a lot of elongateds at coin shows and at the club meetings I decided on a field to collect in. Now a problem came up, how to remember what elongateds I already had, more so when a lot of good ones were for sale. You can't carry around a hundred or so in your packet so I started to make pencil sketches of the ones I already had. Later I made pen and ink sketches of some of them and used them in a display in a club contest (won first place).

One day I got one of Lloyd Wagaman's store cards but I knew he had rolled several varieties and I didn't know which one I had. I sent a copy of the sketch to him and asked him which variety I had. In a few days I received a letter and another variety store card.

In Lloyd's letter he said he liked my sketch and he told me he was planning to put out a book of all elongateds he has rolled from his own dies. He was having trouble photographing some of his older elongateds and asked if I would be interested in sketching them. After several letters back and forth we worked out the details and I made sketches of all of his elongateds. Lloyd has also used some of these sketches in the last couple issues of TEC NEWS. It sure was great to work with Lloyd and get to see all of his different designs. I now think I am the only person to have a complete set of Lloyd Wagaman elongateds, (in original sketch form that is).



NEW MEMBERS

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UNUSUAL COIN AUCTION

by Eric Goodwin TEC #520
Santa Ana, California

On Sunday, April 15, Lee Martin, C.B. Weatherly and Warren Bunge held what I believe was an unusual auction. It started at ten in the morning and lasted until eight in the evening, without any interruption. Each seller alternated every half hour all day long to dispose of as much of their material as possible. Every type of numismatic material was sold. Gold, silver medals, wooden money, tokens, PNC covers and elongateds all brought relatively high prices equal to retail in practically every case. Few P.N.C. covers and medals went for below retail. Although Mr. Bunge and Mr. Weatherly have large collections of elongateds, they sold none of these. Lee Martin had some of Mr. Wagaman's material and I waited six hours before this material came up for sale.

The following prices maybe of interest to TEC members to see the prices realized. All of the material quoted are productions of Mr. Wagaman. Cancelled die elongated - \$3.00, Cover #7 The American Party - \$6.00, Progression piece elongated - \$5.00, Cover #4 1st Man on Moon \$4.00, Indianapolis Silver Dollar \$12.00, Indianapolis Half Dollar - \$6.00. Cover #9 Maine - \$3.50, Cover #6 Peace & Friendship \$10.00, Cover #10 Missouri - \$3.50.

Because the building had to be emptied by 8 P.M., two of the sellers still were not able to complete the sale of all of their material. One curious thing about the auction was that about 90% of the audience came from the general public. Only about 10% were recognized as members of the approximately 10 coin clubs in Orange County. It is estimated that about 200 were in attendance and bidding appeared to be vigorous on every item put up for sale.

Available for 50¢ each, Paul Aubry store card. Write to Paul Aubry,
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